

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Ralph Anderson, et al. Art Unit 1731
Serial No. 10/039,236
Filed December 31, 2001
Confirmation No. 7312
For METHOD FOR REDUCING UNDESIRABLE ODORS GENERATED FROM PAPER
HAND TOWELS

March 14, 2007

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

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LETTER TO PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated January 8, 2007, in the above-referenced patent application, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the patent term adjustment determination. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.705(b) and/or (d), applicants submit the following statement of facts in support of this request for reconsideration.

The application was filed on December 31, 2001. The Office issued a Notice of Missing Parts on February 7, 2002, and applicants responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on May 31, 2002, which is twenty-four (**24**) days more than the three-month period for reply.

The Office issued an Office action on March 17, 2003. Applicants responded to this action on June 16, 2003, which is within the three month period for reply. The Office issued a Notice of Abandonment on November 3, 2003 for failure to timely reply to the March 17, 2003 Office action, and applicants filed a Petition to Withdraw a Holding of Abandonment on November 6, 2003.

Applicants' petition was granted on March 1, 2004. According to the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) database, the response to the March 17, 2003 Office action (hereinafter

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-1345. However, in view of the fact that the Office made a mistake in calculating the correct patent term adjustment, applicants respectfully request that the fee in connection with this request be waived.

Respectfully submitted,

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